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October 15, 2015

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street SW Room TW-A325 Washington, DC 20554

Re:

Ex Parte Communication

WC Docket No. 12-375; Inmate Calling Services

Dear Ms. Dortch:

The Badger State Sheriffs' Association hereby files an *ex parte* communication in connection with the above-referenced proceeding.

The Badger State Sheriffs' Association supports the comments and reply comments filed by the National Sheriffs' Association in this proceeding. The purpose of this filing is to submit additional information in support of NSA's position that Sheriffs must be allowed to recover their costs if ICS services are to continue to be widely available in jails as the ICS systems that are utilized in county jail settings are imperative for Sheriffs to provide a safe and secure jail. Additionally, on behalf of Wisconsin's seventy-two Sheriffs, the Badger State Sheriffs' Association urges the Commission to provide a minimum two-year transition period for jails.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me regarding this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

Brent H. Oleson, President Badger State Sheriffs' Association